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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 30th/December, through Sunday, 6th/January there were 213 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D4, DL, DU, E4, E5/n, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH7K, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PY0F, PZ, S0, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, VE, VK, VK0M, VP2E, VP2M, VP6, VP8, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XX9, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, Z6, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later".

2018 DX SOUND BITES! Tom, K8CX, has done it again. He has provided DXers with 118 memorable rare DX sound clips (now in MP3 format) from Ohio during 2018. Visit Tom's famous "HAM GALLERY" Web site at:
http://hamgallery.com/dx2018
While there, also check out some of the other features on his Web page, such as: 21 years of "Rare DX Sound Clips" of the past (as well as some clips from the 1960's and 1970's which includes all the major DXpeditions and rare DX heard on the bands), QSL Card Museum, Dayton Photo Galleries and Tribute to Silent Key Ham Operators. Tom states, "If anyone has any old HF recordings, I would be interested in hearing from them." (especially sound clips pre-1998 to add to the site) His E-mail address is:
k8cx@hamgallery.com

3D2 & FW, FIJI AND WALLIS & FUTUNA ISLANDS (Update). Nobby, G0VJG, will be active as 3D2AS from Fiji between May 3-5th, Wallis Island (OC-054) [callsign pending, and possibly OC-118] between May 6-20th, and Fiji again from May 20-22nd, 2019. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using SSB and FT8. His equipment will be a FT-857 with 300 watts into Hex

beam. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS.

3Y0I BOUVET DXPEDITION NEWS. On January 2nd, the 3Y0I team posted another update with pictures on the Rebel DX Group Web site at:
https://www.rebeldxgroup.com/meet-the-atlantic-tuna
In this update, the 3Y0I team announced that the name of their ship to be used is called the "Atlantic Tuna", and also wished everyone a Happy New Year. They mention that the "Atlantic Tuna" is currently "being refurbished from its very bottom to its top, meaning not only reconditioning of its hull but also any of the equipment installed onboard. All navigation, communication and engine systems are brand new, meeting the most demanding technical and safety requirements. Getting the ship ready is a time and money consuming process that requires a lot of patience and flexibility from us." They also state "with the holidays season over in South Africa, they hope things will start to accelerate in terms of their ship preparations. To read more, go to the above Web page.
No other details to report, other than that there were still a few 3Y0I pirates active recently. Departure dates are still not known. It is still a mystery...
Remember, it takes 12 days to get to Bouvet from South Africa, and they plan to stay on the island for at least 2 weeks, if the weather cooperates. The 3Y0I DXpedition's band plan frequencies (160-6m) and modes (CW/SSB/FT8) can be found at: https://www.rebeldxgroup.com
https://bouvetoya.org/3yoi-bandplan
QSL via ClubLog's OQRS (preferred), LoTW or via 3Z9DX. For more details and updates, we suggest to watch the following Web pages:
https://bouvetoya.org
https://www.rebeldxgroup.com
http://jouban.jp/3y0i_ja (For JA stations)
https://www.facebook.com/bouvetoya.org
https://www.facebook.com/rebeldxgroup
https://twitter.com/Bouvetoyaorg

4TH ANNUAL RST SPECIAL EVENT. Look for members of the North Country DX Association (NCDXA) to once again be active from different locations in Alaska, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut and Greenland between January 15th and February 28th (some ops may be on earier or later). The NCDXA RST callsigns to be used are KL7RST, VY1RST, VE8RST, VY0RST and OX7RST. Also look for N1RAC/KL7 which will be active from Fairbanks, Alaska. QSL all callsigns direct via K7ICE. For more details and a free RST certificate, see: https://www.qrz.com/lookup/K7ICE
The NCDXA "RST" stations are on Facebook at:
https://www.facebook.com/North-Country-DX-Assoc-K7ICE-1717462798496577

BLOCKED/BOUNCED OPDX BULLETINS (Update). Some 800 OPDX Bulletins were BLOCKED/BOUNCED last week. Again, the majority of the bounces/blockings are from the following ISPs: COMCAST, COX and GMAIL. We are not totally sure why this continues to happen, but if your ISP blocked the OPDX Bulletin, please send a complaint to your ISP.
We were informed that if you use one of the above ISPs there is a way to stop the blocking. If you are an ARRL member, try using their mail forwarding service (see). This
service will pass the bulletin through to your ISP.
If you did not receive the bulletin, there are other ways to receive it. The bulletin is posted every week at the following URLs:
The OPDX (Mailing List) Archives: http://hamnet.org/pipermail/opdx
The OPDX Web page (provided by John, K8YSE): http://papays.com/opdx.html

The weekly bulletin (issue #) is also posted (for the above URLs) on FaceBook and
Twitter . Let's hope this problem will
clear up. Thanks for your understanding..... 73 de Tedd KB8NW

C5, THE GAMBIA. Alan, G4DJX, will once again be active as C5DX from The Gambia between February 16-23rd. This will be a school trip. We are not sure if this is going to be the same type of trip as the 2018 operation. Details were not provided. Activity will be limited to a "part-time

operation" with 100 watts into a OCF dipole (40-10m) using CW. QSL via LoTW or direct to G4DJX.

DAY-XENIA NEWS. OPDX Subscribers, see announcements below for details about the Contest and Top-Band dinners.....

DL70/DM70, GERMANY. Look for special event stations DM70GER and DL70BRD now active until December 31st, 2019. Activity is to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Federal Republic of Germany which was established on May 23rd, 1949. Operations will be on CW and SSB. QSL DM70GER via ClubLog's OQRS (direct or Bureau) or direct via M0SDV. Cards received via Bureau will NOT be answered. QSL DL70BRD via DK1YH, direct, by the Bureau, ClubLog's OQRS and eQSL. A special Jubilee Award is available for working DL70BRD. Award information is available at: https://www.qrz.com/db/DL70BRD

DP0, ANTARCTICA. Operators Matthias/DH5CW and Felix/DL5XL, will be active (weather permitting) from Neumayer Emergency Base (also known as SANAP Summer Base, WAP ZAF-11) [WW Loc. IB59UJ] between January 8-9th. Activity will be on CW and FT8, using the callsign DP0GVN/p. The following CW skeds have been arranged:

08-Jan at 2200 UTC on 10,122 kHz, 08-Jan at 2330 UTC on 7,033 kHz,
09-Jan at 0030 UTC on 14,042 kHz.

QSL via DL5EBE. Read more on the WAP Web site at: http://www.waponline.it

DXCC'S MOST WANTED (ClubLog). The "DXCC Most Wanted" entities list has been updated on ClubLog as of December 28th. The list contain 340 entities and here are the top 10 entities (which has not changed since last month):

1.	P5	DPRK (North Korea)	6. BV9P	Pratas Island
2.	3Y/B	Bouvet Island	7. KH7K	Kure Island
3.	FT5/W	Crozet Island	8. KH3	Johnston Island
4.	BS7H	Scarborough Reef	9. VK0M	Macquarie Island
5.	CE0X	San Felix Islands	10. FT5/X	Kerguelen Island

The complete "DXCC Most Wanted" entities list is available at:
https://secure.clublog.org/mostwanted.php

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Milan, OK1DWC, who is still active as E51DWC from the Rarotonga Islands (OC-013, WAZ-32), will be there at least until sometime in March. Milan is active every day on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. He will be active during the CQWW 160m CW Contest (January 25-27th) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry and possibly other contests. QSL via his home callsign. Confirmation is not a problem across all OQRS's and the information can be found on:

http://QRZ.com/lookup/E51DWC
http://QRZ.COM/lookup/OK1DWC
http://www.hamqth.com/E51DWC

FG, GUADELOUPE. Philippe, F1DUZ, will once again be active as FG4KH from Guadeloupe (NA-102) between February 18th and March 11th. Activity will be on various HF bands as well as 6 meters using SSB, the Digital modes (JT65, FT8, Hell) and with 2m/70cm Tropo, TEP and EME on JT65B. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Web sites for EME and TEP infos and the logs online are at:

144 MHz: http://fgdxpeditionf1duz.monsite-orange.fr
432 MHz: http://fg4kh-eme-70cm.monsite-orange.fr

H3, PANAMA. Operators Naoki/JN1RVS, Jay/HP3AK, Robby/HP3SS and David/HP3/WA6YJW will use the special callsign H33J from Volcan (HP3AK QTH), Chiriqui, Panama, between January 13-31st. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Concentration will be on 160m FT8 when the band is open. QSL via JA1HGY, LoTW or ClubLog's OQRS.

II4, ITALY (Special Event). Throughout the new year (January 1st-December 31st, 2019), begin looking for some commemorative stations to be activate

by ARI-Fidenza Branch operators. Activity is to commemorate and remember the "ITALIAN PIONEERS IN RADIO ENGINEERING". Here is a list of special callsigns to be activated by the month with an Italian engineer/pioneer:

JANUARY:	II4CAL	(Temistocle Calzecchi-Onesti)
FEBRUARY:	II4RGH	(Augusto Righi)
MARCH:	II4MRC	(Guglielmo Marconi)
APRIL:	II4SLR	(Luigi Solari)
MAY:	II4TSB	(Alessandro Tosi - Ettore Bellini)
JUNE:	II4ART	(Alessandro Artom)
JULY:	II4MJR	(Quirino Majorana)
AUGUST:	II4BRD	(Cesare Bardeloni)
SEPTEMBER:	II4GRM	(Gruppo Radiotecnico Milanese)
OCTOBER:	II4MNU	(Ernesto Montu')
NOVEMBER:	II4VAL	(Giancarlo Vallauri)
DECEMBER:	II4TIB	(Ugo Tiberio)

A special award is available for making some QSOs. For complete details and updates, see:
http://www.arifidenza.it/LaSezione/DiplomaPionieriItaliani2019/Diploma_Pionieri_Italiani_ENG.asp

IOTA NEWS.....

AS-015. (Reminder) Rich, PA0RRS, is once again active as 9M2MRS from Penang Island until February 15th. Activity will probably be on 40-10 meters using CW, RTTY, PSK, FT8 and possibly SSB (he will have a microphone in the luggage, but normally no SSB [possible on request]). Rich will have a Yaesu FT450D with 100 watt into a G5RV dipole with bents on the balcony of the house and a MFJ automatic intellituner for all bands. QSL via his home callsign, ClubLog's OQRS, LoTW or eQSL.

AS-063/ AS-152. RCC members Eugene/UA6EX, Leonid/UA7A and Vasily/R7AA plan to activate Bol'shoy Begichev (AS-152) sometime during mid-July. They plan to stay in the Khatanga Bay region for 2 weeks and will also try to activate Popigay-Ary Island (AS-063) during this period. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

OC-133. (Update) Saty, 9M6NA, will once again be active as 9M6NA from Mohammed's, 9M6MO, QTH on Labuan Island, East Malaysia, during the CQWW DX 160m CW Contest (January 25-27th). He will be on the island between January 24-28th, but the focus will be on the contest. QSL via ClubLog's OQRS only for Bureau and direct QSLs. All the logs are promptly uploaded to LoTW. Visit Saty's home page at: https://jsfc.org/je1jkl/9m6na.html

SA-023. Brazilian operators Bob/PY6TV, Esdras/PY6ZK, Lyudo/PY6DQ and Rafa/PP2OK will be active as ZY6C from the Island of Itaparica between January 18-20th. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:

CW - 3510, 7017, 14017, 21060 and 28060 kHz
SSB - 3785, 7155, 14195, 21260 and 28460 kHz

QSL via PY6TV direct. NO Bureau.

PLEASE NOTE: Since the Webmasters of the new have decided NOT to post or dedicate a Web page to announce upcoming IOTA operations, PLEASE send your IOTA operations information to the OPDX, and we will post it here in an upcoming bulletin.....

J2, DJIBOUTI (Update). The J20DX team is planning to activate two IOTAs between April 14-20th: Moucha Island (AF-053) and the super rare Sept Frere (AF-059) (aka Seven Brothers, Sawabi or Seba Islands) signing as J20DX/p. Tentative dates for AF-059 are April 15th to 17th/18th, and for AF-053 are April 17th/18th to 18th/19th. Current operators listed are Col/MM0NDX and Jonathan/MM0OKG. QSL via M0SDV, ClubLog or LoTW. Look for more details to be forthcoming. Also watch their Web page at:
https://j20dx.com

KH8, SAMOA. Operators Palle/OZ1RH and Joergen/OZ0J will be active as KH8/homecall from American Samoa (OC-045) between April 15-22nd. Activity will be on various HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via their home callsign, LoTW, ClubLog's OQRS or eQSL. Look for updates to be posted soon at: http://kh8.oz0j.dk

P4, ARUBA. Mat, DL4MM, will once again be active as P4/DL4MM from the P40L Pos Chiquito contest station on Aruba between January 22-30th. He will participate in the CQ 160m CW Contest (January 25-27th) as P40AA and a Single-Op entry. Activity outside of the contest will be on CW, SSB and FT8 with a focus on the lower bands. He will pay special attention for EU, AS and JA. QSL via DL4MM direct or LoTW/Bureau (after 6 months).

P4, ARUBA. Operators Mike/K9NW, Paul/K9PG, Chad/WE9V and John/W6LD will be active as P40L from the Pos Chiquito contest station on Aruba during the ARRL International DX SSB Contest (March 3-4th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators will be active as P40L between February 25th and March 9th. QSL via WA3FRP. The P40L log will be uploaded to ClubLog and LoTW. For more details about the P40L station, see: http://www.arubaqth.com

PJ4, BONAIRE. German operators Norbert/DJ7JC, Heye/DJ9RR and Emil/DL8JJ will be active as PJ4P from Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA LH-1279, PJ4/K2NG QTH) between January 22-30th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, the Digital modes and FT8. Frequencies are listed on QRZ.com. They also plan to be in the CQWW 160m CW Contest (January 25-27th). QSL via DJ5BWD, ClubLog's OQRS or LoTW.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 7-13th).....

Jan/07th	AN	Jan/10th	AN	Jan/12th	AN
Jan/08th	AN	Jan/11th	AN	Jan/13th	AN
Jan/09th	AN				

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

Meanwhile, check out the following Web sites:

* VOACAP predication Web page at: http://www.voacap.com/hf and http://www.voacap.com/prediction.html
* DX.QSL.NET Propagation page: https://dx.qsl.net/propagation
* A daily HF radio wave propagation forecast can be found at: https://www.facebook.com/thomasfranklingiellaw4hm
* SolarHam Web page: http://www.solarham.net
* Radio Propagation/Space Weather/Sunspot Cycle Information at: http://sunspotwatch.com
* Graphic propagation tool by DR2W: http://www.dr2w.de/dx-propagation
* Point to point propagation at: http://www.predtest.uk/p2p.html
* Realtime propagation at: http://www.predtest.uk
* Also on Twitter: https://twitter.com/@GiellaW4hm

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX by Lothar, DL1SBF

CR140AA via CU3AA & (L)	HB90FVR via HB9FVR	RO19NY via RO19NY (O)
DF13BLN via DM2TO	HB90FXL via HB9FXL	RT19NY via RT19NY (O)
DF13PAR via DM7MA	HB90GKR via HB9GKR	RW19NY via RW19NY (O)
DF13STO via DL1HZM	HB90TIA via HB9TIA	RZ19NY via RZ19NY (O)
DL70BRD via DK1YH	HF100O via SP5ZHJ	SN100LAW via SP3KPH

DL70LEV via DO1BEN HF7SIEMA via SP7PTK SN100ZN via SP2KPD
DM70GER via M0SDV (O) HF800W via SQ6ILG SO4M via SP4MPG
DQ1200ASP via DK1AX HI9/F5PLR via F5PLR & (L) SV1/DF8DX via DF8DX
DR18WRD via M0SDV (O/L) LZ1354PM via LZ1KCP SV1/SV3QUP/P via SV3QUP (d/L)
EI/DK9JC/P via DK9JC LZ30OJ via LZ1YE (d) TI5/N3KS via W4FS (d)
EM0KHNO via UT4UMZ LZ50ZF via LZ2UW V5/ZS1WO via DH3WO
H2X via IZ4AMS (d/O) OH/ES1BRD via ES1BRD WC1X/VE2 via WC1X (d)
HB30YCY via HB3YCY OK2D via OK2KJT YL/PE1LXX via PE1LXX (e)
HB90CZB via HB9CZB ON2019PELT via ON1TO ZL/GM4FZH via GM4FZH & (e)
HB90EPE via HB90EPE RM19NY via RM19NY (O) ZS/SP3CMX via SP3CMX

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (*-B) DX's- Bureau
(O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only (L) LoTW only (N) No QSL needed
(I) No IRC (P) PayPal (NB) No Bureau

J69Z/K3LP via J69Z. Ernest signed J69Z/K3LP as a tribute to honor his good friend David Collingham who became a SK on January 8, 2018. Ernest operated portable on the beach from St. Lucia during the day on 20/17/15 meter SSB. He is operating from his home station on 40 meters (7.191 mhz) in the evening. He was using his special event callsign between January 1-7th.

POSTAGE GOING UP FOR U.S. AND CANADA. The U.S. Postal Service announced new prices for 2019 and they in effect Jan. 27, 2019. The proposed Mailing Services price changes include:

Product	Current	Proposed
Letters (1 oz.)	50 cents	55 cents
Letters additional ounces	21 cents	15 cents
Letters (metered 1 oz.)	47 cents	50 cents
Outbound International Letters (1 oz.)	$1.15	$1.15
Domestic Postcards	35 cents	35 cents

For more info, see:
https://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2018/pr18_086.htm

The Canadian Postal will also go up on January 14th. The postage rate for domestic LettermailTM items weighing 30 grams or less when purchased in a booklet, coil or pane would increase to $0.90 from the current rate of $0.85. The price of a single domestic stamp would increase to $1.05 (Canadian) from the current rate of $1.00. Letters to the U.S. will go up $0.07 or more and to other countries $0.15 or more.

ST2ND via ST2M. Activity on January 1st was National Day of Sudan to celebrate the Independence for the Republic of Sudan (January 1, 1956).

QSLS RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 5A2A, 7X3WPL, 9V1YC, C5AQQ, DL5YEE, EA2DT, EW4TT, F6CSR, F6FHO, FO5QB, HA7EG, HP3/NL8F, HV0A, LA1PHA, LU8HGI, ON3KP, PG3N, R6DM, R9OY, RA3QAL, RI9ANW (AN-016), SQ7OBH, VK3BOB and YO3APJ

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 9K2YM, 9Z4A, A52BH, E44WE, E6Y, J68GD, KG4AS, KH9/N7NVK, OY9JD, RI1ANC, T6DD, XT2BR and ZL7X

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5X2B, J3/DH5HS, J6/DH5FS, OH0V, PJ4Y and V5/DK1CE
--- We would like to see more QSL Bureaus (such as AS/US/SA/AF.. etc) send in their info....

SILENT KEY (SK). Raúl, LU6EF, informs that Francisco "Tito" Burzi, LU3EAQ, became a Silent Key on January 5th, at age 81, due a heavy heart attack. He was very active and was a well known ham who operated from Antarctic Bases several decades ago. He will be highly missed by all in the LU community, as well as by many friends he knew over the air for so many

years. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of LU3EAQ.

T4, CUBA. Members of the Group CW of Cuba (GCWC) will activate their contest station, T40CW, in Mayabeque during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 25-27th). QSL via CO3JK.

TM15AAW, FRANCE (Special Event). Look for special event station TM16AAW to be on air during February 10-24th. Activity is to celebrate the 16th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW). Operations will be made by François, F8DVD, from his QTH of Mâcon, in the east part of France, 60 km North of Lyon. The new reference number for the WAP (Worldwide Antarctic Program) program is 300. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using mostly SSB. QSL via F8DVD, direct (SAE + 2 USDs) or via the Bureau.

For more details on TM16AAW, see QRZ.com or contact François at: a.pole@laposte.net -- For more information on the WAP, see: http://www.waponline.it

V3, BELIZE. Art, NN7A, will once again be active as V31JZ/p from South Water Caye, Belize (NA-180) between January 31st and February 6th. This will be a one-person operation using a 100 watt transceiver and wire antennas. Operation will be mostly CW on 80-10 meters including 30/17/12m bands. Online log is available through ClubLog. QSL direct via NN7A (Art Phillips, P.O. Box 73, Eckert, CO 81418 USA), or via the ARRL Bureau. Bureau cards sent to Belize cannot be answered (there is no active V3 Bureau).

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS. Bernie/W3UR (Editor of The Dialy DX) and his wife Becky/N3OSH will be active as V47UR from Calypso Bay, St. Kitts Island (NA-104), between January 8-20th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and FT8. Bernie states that he will be "running 100 watts and verticals. An emphasis will be made on 160 meters during local sunset and sunrise. I also plan to operate in the North American QSO Party CW." QSL via LoTW and W3UR.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2). Operators Sergey/UT3UA and Yuri/VE3DZ/VE2IM will be active for approximately one week (between January 22-29th) from Zone 2 focusing exclusively on 160 meters with operations targeting JAs, Far-East, Asia and Oceania using VE2/UT3UA and VE2IM callsigns respectfully. Activity will include participation in the CQ 160 Meter CW Contest (January 25-27th) as VE2IM. Transmitting antennas are: Inv. L and Inv. Vee. Receiving antennas are: 2x250 m Beverages (NE and NW) and possibly 1 or 2 BOGs with KD9SV switch and pre-amp. Radio equipment is a pair of K3's and Legal output power. QSL via info on QRZ.com. For more info, see:
https://www.qrz.com/db/VE2IM

ZK3, TOKELAU ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1395). An international team led by operators Hrane/YT1AD, Roman/UR0MC and Alex/UT5UY are planning a DX-pedition to the Tokelau Islands as ZK3X between October 1-15th, 2019. The group now has a Web page at: https://tokelau2019.com

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLANDS. Operators Ian/ZL2BGL and Bill/ZL2AYZ/ZL3VZ will be active as ZL7C from Chatham Islands (OC-038) between March 28th and April 2nd. Activity will be on 80-15 meters using CW, SSB, FT8, RTTY and PSK31, as well as an entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 30-31st). Look for more details to be forthcoming.

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Additional Bulletin for OPDX InterNet Subscribers.
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DAY-XENIA NEWS...........................

** [Edited] Announcing the 27th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner -- The North Coast Contesters are proud to announce: The 27th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner at the Crowne Plaza in downtown Dayton, Ohio.

2019 Contest Dinner tickets are on sale now exclusively via our web site. HUGE thanks to Scott, KA9FOX, and QTH.com for designing, building, donating and running the Contest Dinner web site:
http://contestdinner.com
Master of Ceremonies for the Dayton Contest Dinner is Contest Hall of Fame member and World Wide Radio Operators Foundation (WWROF) Chairman, John Dorr, K1AR.

To celebrate our 27th Anniversary dinner our featured speaker will be Ted Rappaport, N9NB. Ted's bio is here:
https://www.contestdinner.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Ted-Rappaport-N9NB-Bio.pdf

Thanks to Teri, K8MNJ for coordinating and organizing the 2019 Contest Dinner.

The 2019 Contest Hall of Fame inductees will be announced during the Dayton Contest Dinner.

The Dayton Contest Dinner will be held on Saturday night, May 18, 2019, at 6:30 PM Cash bar opens at 5:30 PM. Located at the Crowne Plaza Hotel (Official Contester Hotel) 5th and Jefferson Streets (Next to the Dayton Convention Center) Dayton (Downtown), Ohio, in the PRESIDENTIAL BALLROOM on the second floor. Seating is random. Tables are set in rounds of 10 and rectangles of 12. You can purchase an entire table for your group (purchased group tables are set for round 10 or rectangle 12). Full Table purchases are reserved seating. Tickets are only available on:
http://contestdinner.com
There are no tickets for sale at the door.

The 31st annual Contest Super Suite (all FOUR nights during Dayton) details are here: http://contestsupersuite.com

And the 13th Annual Dayton Contest University seats are filling up fast:
http://contestuniversity.com
We expect another sold out event for the Dayton Contest dinner.
Get your tickets early! http://contestdinner.com

73 and Happy New Year!
Tim, K3LR, Dayton Contest Dinner Chairman - 27 years
Vice President, North Coast Contesters

** [Edited] Announcing the 2019 Dayton TopBand Dinner - 30th Annual Event!
-- Continuing the great Dayton Top Band dinner tradition that George, K8GG, and George, W8UVZ, started, I am proud to announce the 30th Annual Dayton TopBand dinner. Dinner reservations are now available for 2019!

Friday evening May 17, 2019, at the Crowne Plaza in the Presidential Ballroom - downtown Dayton, Ohio. Top Band Social hour is at 6:00 PM and Dinner starts at 7:00 PM. Come and have dinner with the guys you work on 160 meters and enjoy great TopBand discussions.

I am proud to announce that our featured speaker will be Ken Claerbout, K4ZW. You can read more about Ken here on his dinner bio page:
https://www.topbanddinner.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Ken-Claerbout-K4ZW-Bio.pdf

Dinner reservations are available on line with credit cards and PayPal.
Thanks to Teri, K8MNJ, for coordinating and organizing the TopBand Dinner.
The 2019 Dayton TopBand Dinner details are here: http://topbanddinner.com
Scroll down to make your reservations.

In addition to K4ZW we will pass the mic so everyone can introduce themselves. We will also have the exciting TopBand DXCC count down.

Four nights of great Top Band, DX and Contesting hospitality are also at the Crowne Plaza Contest Super Suite: http://contestsupersuite.com

Slots are filling up fast at 2019 Dayton Contest University: http://contestuniversity.com

If you enjoy having fun on the 160 meter band, the 30th Annual Top Band Dinner is for you! Hope to see you at the 2019 Dayton TopBand Dinner

73, Tim K3LR - Dayton Top Band Dinner Chairman

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